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SUBJECT: CHINA WILL NOT ASSIST WITH SYRIA NUCLEAR PLANT  
TECHNICAL COOPERATION PROJECT

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Classified By: Acting Political Section Chief Ben Moeling. Reasons 1.4  
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11. (C) PolOff conveyed reftel points and nonpaper requesting that China not assist Syria in implementing its technical cooperation project for a nuclear power plant feasibility study to MFA Arms Control and Disarmament Department Nuclear Division Deputy Director Dai Huaicheng on December 12. Dai said "China does not have any bilateral nuclear programs with Syria" and therefore "there is no need to be concerned that China will help Syria in this case."  
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